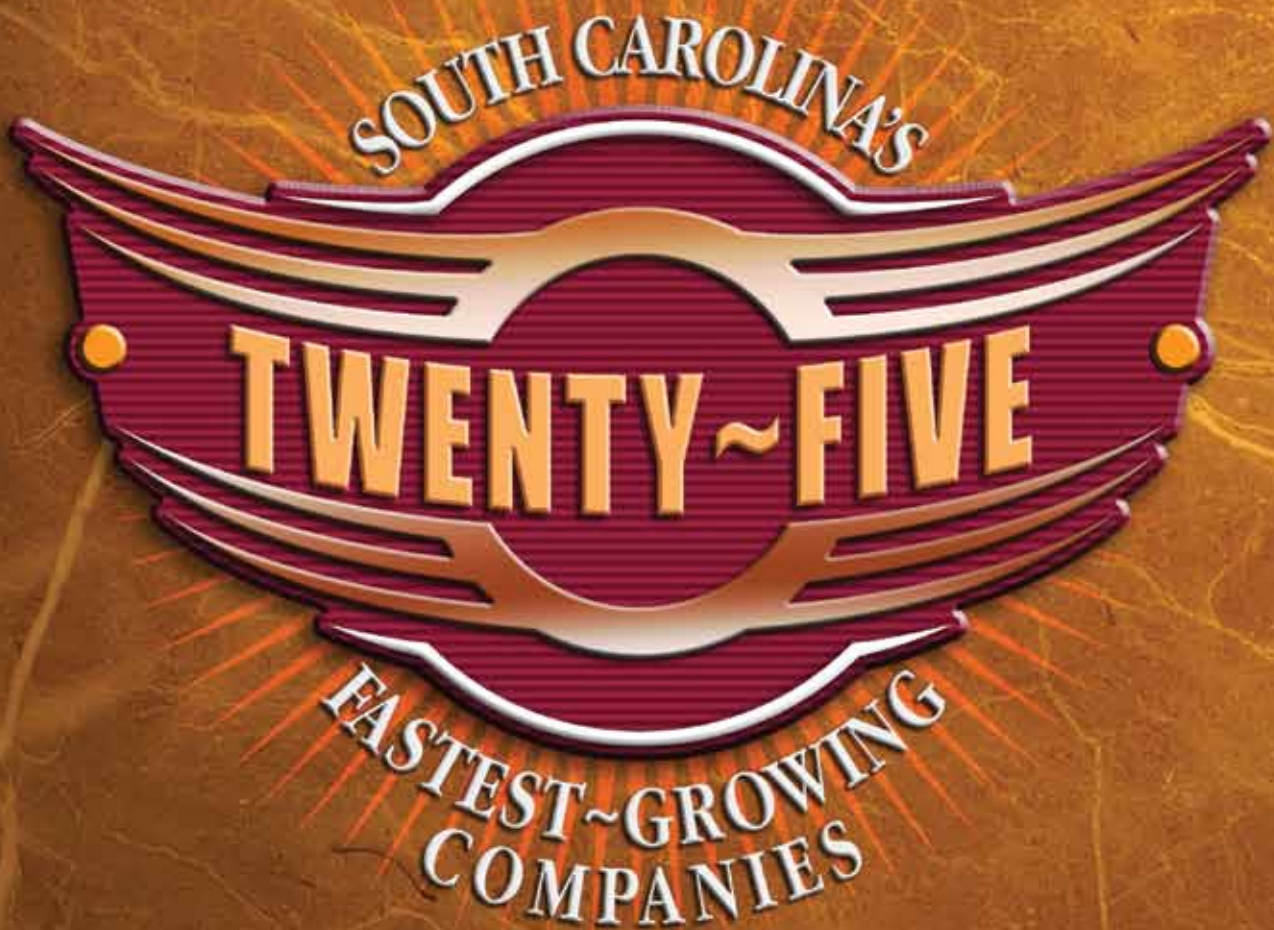


# THE CAPITAL CORPORATION PRESENTS



IN ASSOCIATION WITH THE  
SOUTH CAROLINA CHAMBER OF COMMERCE,  
THE NINTH ANNUAL RANKING OF THE STATE'S  
TOP-PERFORMING BUSINESSES.

Since its inception in 2002, the annual South Carolina's 25 Fastest-Growing Companies<sup>SM</sup> ranking has come to represent an elite group of best-of-breed companies from across the Palmetto State. This is the state's first recognition initiative that focuses on the achievements of privately and publicly-owned businesses and their contributions to the state's economy. Joining presenting sponsor The Capital Corporation and the South Carolina Chamber of Commerce this year are Dixon Hughes as co-sponsor and SCBIZ as media sponsor. This collaboration of industry leaders heralds an exciting future for the program.

"Dixon Hughes is proud to sponsor the 25 Fastest-Growing Companies for 2010," said Mark Crocker with Dixon Hughes. "We believe South Carolina business owners and entrepreneurs will be among those that lead our country out of this challenging economy. Part of that is celebrating success stories that demonstrate prosperity is there for those who will move forward. We applaud the winners and all the nominees."

Over the past nine years, 114 companies have had the distinction of being ranked as one of South Carolina's Fastest-Growing Companies<sup>SM</sup>. Despite the uncertain economic times, the 2010 ranking once again proves South Carolina is home to some of the most vibrant, dynamic companies in the country.

This year's winners are a diverse sampling of exceptional businesses covering a broad spectrum in terms of size and industry sector. These businesses span the breadth of South Carolina, once again proving that success is not driven by physical location but by strategy and customer focus. More than a dozen cities from across the Palmetto State are represented this year, with the greatest number of top performers representing Charleston/Mount Pleasant (eight), followed by Greenville (six) and Columbia (three). This year Goose Creek and Bluffton companies joined the list along with top performers from Myrtle Beach, Inman, Hilton Head, Simpsonville, Anderson and Duncan.

"I'm honored to have the opportunity to recognize this exceptional and diverse assembly of businesses from across the state that have demonstrated such significant growth," said Dan Adams, president and chief executive officer of The Capital Corporation. "It has been a very trying time for many, but the real key to economic growth is the entrepreneurial spirit that always fuels the creation of businesses and jobs. As the economy rebounds, it is risk-taking, highly competitive, inventive, entrepreneurial businesses like those honored here that will lead the way."

The top three honorees are as diverse in size as they are in industry. Top-ranked Wild Creations of Myrtle Beach, developers and distributors of science, nature and adventure toys, saw an astounding growth of 313 percent. Second place goes to Pegasus Steel of Goose Creek, providers of heavy steel fabrication services that

increased revenues by 174 percent. In third place is Barling Bay of North Charleston, a systems engineering and program management company that experienced a 104 percent growth in revenue. The remaining 22 top performers averaged a healthy 38 percent increase in revenues.

The 2010 rankings were determined using a proprietary weighted equation tied to increases in gross revenues (or assets) and full-time employment. Submissions were compiled, evaluated and ranked by a review panel from The Capital Corporation. Interviews and site visits were conducted by representatives of The Capital Corporation and Dixon Hughes in conjunction with SCBIZ and the South Carolina Chamber of Commerce. To learn more about the South Carolina's 25 Fastest-Growing Companies<sup>SM</sup> initiative, visit [www.thecapitalcorp.com](http://www.thecapitalcorp.com), or contact Cristina Schleifer at (864) 672-8400.

#### WINNER DISTRIBUTION BY INDUSTRY

INDUSTRY	TOTAL%
Manufacturing/Distribution .....	24
Professional Services .....	16
Technology .....	16
Construction .....	12
Healthcare .....	12
Financial Services/Insurance.....	8
Advertising .....	4
Industrial Services.....	4
Staffing .....	4
	100%

#### TOP 4 INCREASES IN REVENUE (ALPHA ORDER)

Barling Bay LLC  
JH Global Services Inc.  
Pegasus Steel LLC  
Wild Creations

#### TOP 4 INCREASES IN EMPLOYMENT (ALPHA ORDER)

JH Global Services Inc.  
Levelwing Media LLC  
Nason Medical Center  
Wild Creations

## South Carolina's 25 Fastest-Growing Companies 2010

# COMPANY	STARTED	TOP EXECUTIVE	LOCATION	INDUSTRY	DESCRIPTION
1. Wild Creations	2007	Peter Gasca	Myrtle Beach	Manufacturing	Developer of science, nature and adventure toys
2. Pegasus Steel LLC	2007	Tony Deering	Goose Creek	Manufacturing	Professional heavy steel fabrication service center
3. Barling Bay LLC	2002	Bob Bush	North Charleston	Engineering and consulting services	Security, research and development, management and administration company
4. JH Global Services Inc.	2003	Jane Zhang	Greenville	Manufacturing	Importer and distributor of STAR brand electric golf carts, golfing accessories and industrial products
5. Levelwing Media LLC	2002	Steve Parker	Mt. Pleasant	Advertising	Full-service digital advertising agency



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6.	Dennis Corporation	2005	Dan Dennis	Columbia	Professional services	Engineering, surveying and construction management firm
7.	CareCore National LLC	1994	Donald R. Ryan	Bluffton	Health care	Specialty benefit management company
8.	Lindbergh & Associates LLC	1982	James A. (Tony) Price	North Charleston	Professional services	Multi-discipline consulting engineering firm
9.	Thomas Glover Associates Inc.	1980	Thomas Glover	Inman	Information technology	Developer of custom IT solutions
10.	Nason Medical Center	2005	Shannon Carter	North Charleston	Health care	Fully-equipped emergency and urgent care facility
11.	RhythmLink International	2002	Shawn Regan	Columbia	Manufacturing	Neurodiagnostic accessory manufacturer
12.	International Public Works	2002	L. Kai Yeh	Charleston	Construction and engineering	Engineering and construction firm
13.	SYS Constructors Inc.	1987	Daniel P. Schaaf	Greenville	General construction	Quality construction and project management company
14.	J Banks Design	1985	Joni Vanderslice	Hilton Head Island	Interior design	Full-service professionally degreed interior design firm
15.	Human Technologies	1999	Herbert Dew III	Greenville	Human resources	Fully integrated employment solutions company focusing on recruiting, hiring and HR services
16.	Heritage Healthcare Inc.	1999	Paul Shaw	Greenville	Health care	Provider of long term care, assistant living and continuing care retirement communities
17.	Weir Capital Management	1999	Erick Weir	Simpsonville	Professional	Financial investment firm
18.	Vapor Apparel	2004	Jackson Burnett Christopher Bernat	North Charleston	Printing	Manufacturer of high-quality performance apparel and bulk fabrics
19.	Sabal Homes LLC	2005	Matthew Jones	Mt. Pleasant	Residential construction	Homebuilder with extensive background in land acquisition, product development, construction and customer service
20.	Electric Guard Dog	1991	Jack DeMao	Columbia	Security services	Multi-faceted security business
21.	Network Controls & Electric Inc.	1990	Braddock Cunningham	Greenville	Contracting services and technology	Provider of communication networks and electrical infrastructure

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22.	eGroup Inc.	1993	Michael Carter	Mt. Pleasant	Information technology	Technology solutions provider
23.	Orian Rugs Inc.	1980	Wim dePape	Anderson	Manufacturing	Rug manufacturer dedicated to yarn extrusion, weaving, finishing packaging warehousing and distribution
24.	Cynergi Systems LLC	2002	Rich Maris	Duncan	Technology systems design/integrating	Technology provider for K-12, higher education, small business and enterprise facilities
25.	CoastalStates Bank	2004	Randy Dolyniuk	Hilton Head Island	Financial	Bank that provides full spectrum of financial products and services

**CRITERIA FOR SOUTH CAROLINA'S FASTEST-GROWING COMPANIES**

Nominations for South Carolina's 25 Fastest Growing Companies 2010 were accepted between June and August 2010. Participation was open to public and private non-governmental entities representing any business or industry sector provided they met the following criteria:

- (a) Headquartered in South Carolina;
- (b) In operation for at least three full fiscal years; and
- (c) Revenues of at least \$3 million (\$50 million in assets for financial institutions) in the most recent reported year.

**RANKING METHODOLOGY**

South Carolina's 25 Fastest-Growing Companies 2010 rankings were determined by using information submitted for the three most recently completed fiscal years at the time of nomination. Rankings were based on a weighted equation factoring in growth in revenues (or assets) along with increases in full-time employment.

Submittals were compiled, evaluated for completeness and ranked by a review panel from The Capital Corporation in cooperation with the South Carolina Chamber of Commerce. The Capital Corporation tabulated the South Carolina's 25 Fastest-Growing Companies 2010 list based solely on responses received.

Top 25 Fastest Growing Companies in South Carolina two years in a row



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